

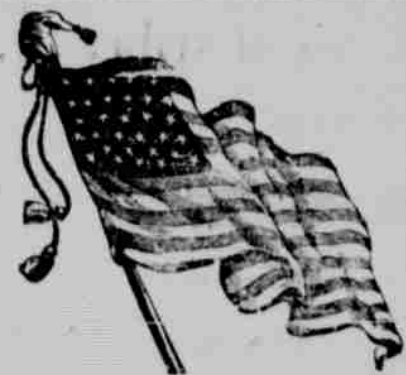
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"Long may it wave o'er the Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave."



Help Our Town Win the Right to Fly this Flag

ALMA WOMEN IN WAR WORK

Mrs. Sara Smith, Red Cross
Mrs. J. E. Collins, Com. of National Defense

The splendid showing of pledge cards in the hands of the men's committee of finance for the Red Cross was satisfactory as far as it went. But until the money is paid, the pledge is of little account. It is, strange to say, the money which will pay for the 50 or 60 bolts of cloth, which are used each month. So please settle your account at either bank or with Mrs. Day.

A mistake appeared in the State Journal a few nights ago regarding the junior work of Alma. Instead of being only "partially" done, the campaign is completed, and every pupil from the 3rd grade to the high school is enrolled in a Red Cross member and each room is a busy working unit. The boys supply the money from their "Melting Pot", for all the material besides doing knitting.

The special order which came to Red Cross headquarters for 50 of the 5 yard rolls, was filled this week.

Register early and help the volunteer registrars in their work.

Beginning April 27th and lasting through May 4th is the time set by Gov. Sleeper for all women to register. Be loyal.

Notices of registration places will be found elsewhere in this paper.

A PROCLAMATION

Although Michigan has been largely denuded of her stately and magnificent forests of a former day, we still rank high as a timber State; and a wise policy of reforestation will help to restore, in the years to come, what has been lost. Let us continue too the custom of observing Arbor Day by the planting of trees around our homes, our schools, our churches and in our streets and public parks.

Last year the people of the State were urged to plant gardens also, and the response to this appeal was so general that a huge crop of vegetables resulted. The need of garden products is even more urgent this year. Our soldiers in France must be fed, as must the armies of our Allies. Every pound of vegetables, raised in a Michigan garden, will release so much wheat for shipment abroad. Let every family then plant a war garden. If you can't plant a big garden, try a little one; and take care of it.

There is another matter to which, at this time, I desire to call attention. Strong representations have been made to me that the High-bush Barberry (Berberis Vulgaris), with its purple-leafed variety, has become a dangerous nuisance, because it harbors and spreads the Black Stem Rust of wheat and other grains. The usual loss from this rust amounts to millions of bushels of grain. The Japanese Barberry (Berberis Thunbergii), on the other hand, is declared to be quite harmless in this respect. Accordingly, I earnestly request that the aforesaid noxious shrub be dug up and destroyed, wherever it may exist throughout the State, and replaced by some innocuous variety of ornamental shrub.

Therefore, I, Albert E. Sleeper, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby designate and set aside, Fri-

day, May Third, 1918, as Arbor and Garden Day, in the hope that both the old and the young of our people may be impressed with the needs of the situation, and may be stimulated not only to plant trees, as has been our custom on Arbor Day, but to plant their garden plots with potatoes and corn and beans and other nutritious vegetables; and I suggest that this day be marked also by the destruction of the High-bush Barberry.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State this eighteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and of the Commonwealth the eighty-second.

Albert E. Sleeper, Governor.
By the Governor:
Coleman C. Vaughn,
Secretary of State.

FOOD REGULATIONS

New Regulations Regarding Food Given Out by Prescott.

All householders who can entirely eliminate the use of wheat until the next harvest, about September 1st, should do so.

Householders who are obliged to use wheat should not use more than a total of 1½ pounds of wheat flour or prepared wheat, in any form, per person per week, including the wheat flour in Victory bread, and including the wheat flour or prepared wheat in crackers, pastry, macaroni, breakfast and other foods.

In estimating flour consumption every 1½ pounds of Victory bread, which is the bread manufactured by bakers under the regulations of the U. S. Food Administration, may be considered to equal 1 pound of wheat flour.

This rationing requires a more restricted use of wheat than that asked for by the observance of wheatless days and meals, which are no longer obligatory, but in practice it will be found that an even wider and more strict observance of wheatless days and meals will aid greatly in limiting the household consumption of wheat flour and other prepared wheat to 1½ pounds per person per week.

Meat of any kind may be eaten on any day in moderation until May 1st.

In buying wheat flour an equal weight of other cereals as substitutes for wheat flour must be bought pound for pound. In buying graham, whole wheat or mixed flours the substitutes in them may be counted so that a smaller proportion of substitutes may be bought with these flours than with wheat flour. This is the 50-50 rule.

Wheat flour substitutes are hominy, corn grits, cornmeal, corn flour, edible corn starch, barley flour, rolled oats, oatmeal, rice, rice flour, buckwheat flour, potato flour, sweet potato flour, soy bean flour and feterita flour and meals.

Householders in towns and cities may not buy more than ½ of a barrel of flour at any one time. Householders in the country may not buy more than ¼ of a barrel of flour at any one time. In no event shall any purchaser have more than 30 days supply on hand.

All kinds of food, especially wheat, meats, fats and sugar, should be economically used.

Grow and use local supplies; this saves transportation.

These regulations are necessarily subject to change at any time as the needs of the Allies and our needs demand.

PARENT-TEACHERS' MEETING

The Parent-Teachers' club held its regular meeting at the high school Friday, April 19th. A large number were in attendance. Miss Havens of M. A. C. spoke on "War Foods" and gave some very good suggestions on the use of cereals and the saving of wheat. Mr. Linderman also from the M. A. C. spoke on "War Gardens and General Food Situation." He told of the importance of the home garden and how our boys and girls should be interested and taught to care for these gardens. Miss VanHeulin, another M. A. C., then talked "Children's Gardens and Canning Clubs."

Each speaker enthused and interested their hearers along their special lines.

Miss Palmer sang a solo and the 5th grade, directed by Miss Jones, gave a selection.

Mrs. Priest was appointed as delegate to the State Teacher's Club convention which convenes in Battle Creek April 29th and 30th.

Tea was served by Ladies of the club.

MASON CALLED TO SAGINAW

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possible and has been a tremendous influence for good in the community. Twice during the five and one half years that Rev. Mason has been in Alma his salary has been raised, which is one of the strongest indications of his fitness as a pastor of strength.

His loss to Alma and to Alma college is a serious one. He has been in particular, a father to the young men of the college, upon whom many have relied upon strongly, for advice, and aid in various matters. His position at Alma will be hard to fill.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kindness and flowers during the sickness and death of our baby.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Price.

Benjamin Chapin in "The Son of Democracy"—second chapter, "The Call to Arms"—each chapter complete—Idlehour Thursday—adv.

WOMEN REGISTER

Women of Alma Asked to Register For War Work.

Why register? Because the government wants to measure the woman power of the United States. Behind every man at the front must stand six people at home. How many women are back of the men? The registration beginning Saturday, April 27 and extending until May 4 will show. This registration is one way, in fact the only way to show the Prussians that the women of America, not only the drafted men, are in the fight. Food conservation, production, distribution, and all industrials are the woman's share in the fight, at home.

Study the card and you will see where you can serve. Register at the nearest polling place listed! You can render immediate service to your country by so doing. Polls will be open at the following places from 9:30 to 5:30:

First Ward

Eastminster Chapel, Mrs. Grierson, chairman.

High school, Miss McLaren, chairman.

Rule's grocery, Mrs. Ward, chairman.

Second Ward

Union school, Mrs. Somerville, chairman.

Reading room, Miss Robinson, chairman.

Alma State Savings Bank, Mrs. Pollasky, chairman.

Post office, Miss Avery, chairman.

Third Ward

D. W. Robinson's store, Mrs. Ewing, chairman.

Wright's furniture store, Mrs. Page, chairman.

Wright Hall, Miss Conyne, chairman.

Fourth Ward

First State Bank, Mrs. Crooks, chairman.

Tucker's grocery, Mrs. Robinson, chairman.

Red Cross rooms, Mrs. Moore, chairman.

MINISTER DEAD.

Young Minister Died at Home of His Sister in this City.

Norman Anger, formerly pastor of the Peoples church at Cadillac, passed away at the home of his sister on Meyer avenue Saturday, April 13th, following a long illness from tuberculosis.

The funeral service was held at the M. E. church Tuesday, April 16, the Rev. Clark Wheeler of Big Rapids and Duffy of Alma having charge of the service. The L. O. O. F. lodge had charge of the services at the cemetery.

Ministers from out of town at the funeral were Rev. Wheeler of Big Rapids, Rev. E. W. Davis of Clare, Rev. M. L. Gardner of Coleman and Rev. J. B. McInnis of Farwell. Official representatives were present at the funeral from Cadillac and Coleman, former pastorate of the young man.

NOTICE

I will be at my office to receive water rents from May 1st to 15th. All rents not paid by May 15th, the water will be turned off and a charge of \$1.00 will be made for reinstating.

Carl E. Gallagher, City Clerk.
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THE THEATRE

The Idlehour

Lovers of good pictures cannot afford to miss a single night at the Idlehour this week.
Tonight (Friday) Julian Eltinge, that great female impersonator, will be presented in his latest success, "The Widow's Might." Julian Eltinge will be remembered for his work in "Countess Charming."

On Saturday the universal favorite, Wm. S. Hart, will be shown in a return engagement of "The Aryan." This picture was shown here about a year ago and was advertised to be here about two months ago but failed to arrive.

The Sunday offering is Mae Marsh in "The Beloved Traitor." This is not a war story but a story of the Maine coast and New York City. In this Miss Marsh has a different role than she has ever attempted before, this time a strong dramatic part.

On Monday Wallace Reid and Kathryn Williams are presented in "Things We Love," a war story without war horrors. On Tuesday there is an excellent Triangle play, "Little Red Decides," and on Wednesday Douglas Fairbanks is here once more in a return engagement of "Reggie Mixes In." With this is shown another of those corking good Mack Sennett comedies, "Watch Your Neighbor," making together a show that is worth twice the money asked.

On Thursday the second of the series of pictures on the life of Abraham Lincoln will be shown, this time "A Call to Arms." Remember that this is a series, not a serial, and each picture is complete in itself. With this is shown Elsie Ferguson in "The Song of Songs."

Liberty Theatre

The secrets of the German spy system are revealed in the startling new William Fox production, "The Spy," with Dustin Farnum in the stellar role. Take advantage of a good picture which combines all the thrill and excitement of war, diplomatic secrets, international negotiations and internal politics. In "The Spy" these are some of the outstanding points:

1. A rousing meeting of the Patriots' Club of New York.

2. Attempts of a German spy, on shipboard, to murder a member of the American Diplomatic Service.

3. Revelation of the Wilhelmstrasse—the most complete system of espionage that has ever existed.

4. Ball at the American embassy in Berlin, at which intrigue is carried on under the guise of social entertainment.

5. An American's successful attempt to gain possession of a list of German spies in the United States.

6. A German girl's sacrifice for the man she loves and the country of her adoption, the United States!

Liberty theatre, Sunday afternoon and evening.

FARMER'S CLUB

Seville-Summer Farmer's Club will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schiff Thursday, May 2nd.

Program

Song, club.
Prayer, Rev. Mason.
Reading minutes of last meeting.
Roll call. A new idea for labor saving.

Song, club.
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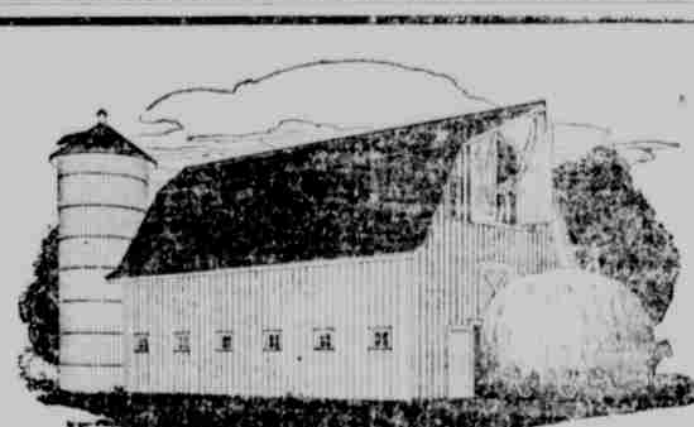
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